

**Mansfield Board of Education
May 12, 2016
Minutes**

Attendees: Randy Walikonis, Chair, Martha Kelly, Secretary, Susannah Everett, John Fratiello, Sarah Lacombe, Katherine Paulhus, Carrie Silver-Bernstein, Kathy Ward

Excused: Jay Rueckl

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Mr. Walikonis.

SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS:

Paraeducator of the Year: Andrea Stever Lennon was honored by the Board and Southeast School staff as Mansfield's 2016 Paraeducator of the Year.

National Blue Ribbon School: Susan Muirhead, Principal, with staff and students, were recognized for their Blue Ribbon award granted by the U.S. Department of Education.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Mrs. Paulhus, seconded by Ms. Everett, to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2016 meeting. Vote: Unanimous in favor with Ms. Silver-Bernstein and Mrs. Lacombe in abstention.

HEARING FOR VISITORS: None

COMMUNICATIONS: Letter from Kariann Gallegos, Director of Food Services.

ADDITIONS TO THE PRESENT AGENDA: Motion by Ms. Silver-Bernstein, seconded by Mr. Fratiello, to add communication to consent agenda. Vote: Unanimous in favor

BOARD REPORTS:

Finance Committee: Mr. Walikonis reported the Finance Committee met this evening and received the 3rd Quarter Financials. After review with Cherie Trahan, Director of Finance, the Committee accepted the report and recommends the Board accept the report as well.

Goals and Objectives Committee: Ms. Everett reported the committee met this evening and will share work at the Board Retreat.

Willington/Mansfield School Study Committee: Mr. Walikonis reported the Mansfield committee members will consist of the Mansfield Board of Education Finance Committee, Mayor, Town Manager, Director of Finance, and Superintendent of Schools.

INFORMATION, PRESENTATIONS, AND ACTIONS:

- Wellness in Our Schools: Candace Morell, Principal, Mansfield Middle School and Larry Barlow, Assistant Principal, Mansfield Middle School reviewed Program Offerings at MMS which included Health Instruction, Physical Wellness, and School Counseling.
- Field Trip Requests: Mrs. Morell reviewed two upcoming overnight field trips.
 - National History Day: Motion by Mrs. Paulhus, seconded by Ms. Ward to approve the National History Day trip to College Park, Maryland June 12, 2016 – June 15, 2016. Vote: Unanimous in favor.
 - German Exchange: Motion by Mrs. Paulhus, seconded by Ms. Ward to approve the German Exchange trip to Sarstedt, Germany September 10, 2016 – October 1, 2016. Vote: Unanimous in favor.
- Budget Update: Mr. Walikonis reported the 2016-2017 budget was passed at the Town Meeting on May 10, 2016

NEW BUSINESS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Ms. Everett, seconded by Mrs. Lacombe, that the following items for the Board of Education May 10, 2016 meeting be approved or received for the record. Vote: Unanimous in favor

That the Mansfield Public Schools Board of Education accepts the 2015-2016 3rd Quarter Financial Report.

That the Mansfield Public Schools Board of Education accepts the resignation of Kariann Gallegos, Director of Food Service, effective June 30, 2016

HEARING FOR VISITORS: None

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Mrs. Kelly would like to discuss broadcasting meetings.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Ms. Everett, seconded by Mr. Fratiello, to move to Executive Session at 9:10pm to discuss Superintendent's evaluation and non-union wages and salaries, also to invite the Superintendent to the session. Vote: Unanimous in favor.
Mrs. Lyman joined the Board at the Executive Session.

The Board returned to regular session at 9:34pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mrs. Paulhus, seconded by Ms. Everett, to adjourn at 9:37pm.
Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Celeste Griffin, Board Clerk